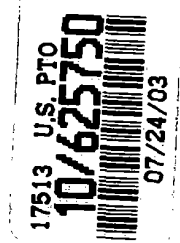




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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Re: Application of SHIGETA, Tetsuya, MOCHIZUKI, Hitoshi, SUZUKI, Masahiro  
and SAEGUSA, Nobuhiko  
METHOD FOR DRIVING A PLASMA DISPLAY PANEL  
Assignee: **PIONEER CORPORATION**  
Our Ref: Q76569

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 09/482,925 (Confirmation No.7692) filed January 14, 2000 of SHIGETA, Tetsuya, MOCHIZUKI, Hitoshi, SUZUKI, Masahiro and SAEGUSA, Nobuhiko entitled METHOD FOR DRIVING A PLASMA DISPLAY PANEL.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 54 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed are a Preliminary Amendment, an Information Disclosure Statement, a PTO/SB/08:A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2673.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a divisional of Application No. 09/482,925 filed January 14, 2000; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from:

| <u>Country</u> | <u>Application No</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> |
|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Japan          | 11-9932               | January 18, 1999   |
| Japan          | 11-66679              | March 12, 1999     |
| Japan          | 11-234716             | August 20, 1999    |

The priority documents were filed in parent Application No. 09/482,925.



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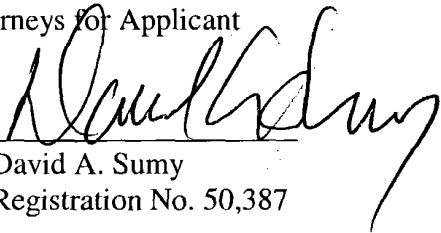
The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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